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IF YOU ENCOUNTER A CLOGGED SEWER

CenterPoint Energy warns customers and plumbing contractors against drilling through a blockage. Contact CenterPoint Energy so we can locate underground natural gas facilities to help prevent potential damage to the lines and a natural gas leak.

before you clear.



NOTICE TO CENTERPOINT ENERGY CUSTOMER REGARDING PRIVATELY OWNED SEWER LATERAL

This notification is to inform you of a Minnesota Office of Pipeline Safety (MNOPS) requirement that may impact you as the property owner of a sewer lateral (The line connecting your home to the city's sanitary sewer system or private septic system).

The Alert Notice (https://dps.mn.gov/divisions/ops/forms-documents/Documents/Alert%20Notice%2001-2010.pdf) outlines new installation practices designed to prevent sewer lateral cross-bores from occurring. As a result of these new requirements, CenterPoint Energy has adopted procedures to enhance safety and prevent homeowner sewer maintenance issues. Blockages in sewer laterals can occur if a natural gas line is inadvertently cross-bored or inserted through the sewer line when installing gas mains and service lines. Please call 612-321-5551 with additional sewer lateral questions.

CenterPoint Energy or our contractor, Michels Corporation, will be installing a new natural gas distribution pipe or service line that may involve your property address. To prepare for this natural gas project, a sewer sub-contractor for CenterPoint Energy will be in the area to locate the sewer laterals. As an owner of a sewer line, you may or may not be contacted by the sewer sub-contractor as they are completing their work. Sewer verifications are completed at no charge to you.

WARNING TO OUR CUSTOMERS

In the event you encounter a clogged sewer, please take the following steps:



- Examine clogs that form at or near the point where the gas line crosses the sewer lateral more closely.
- Use camera devices if necessary to see the blockage to ensure it is not a gas line.
- If you need assistance from CenterPoint Energy after the utilities have been located, we have qualified personnel who are available 24 hours/7days a week to assist you.

DO NOT let someone inside your home without a photo CenterPoint Energy identification card.